

The Watchman and Southern.

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PERSONAL NEWS.

Miss Alice Stubbs has gone to Murrell's Inlet, where she is visiting the family of Dr. J. A. Mood.

Miss Mary Smith and Miss Helen Commander are visiting friends at Lynchburg.

Miss Margaret Maurer, of Bennettsville, is visiting her uncle, Mr. C. E. Maurer on East Liberty Street.

Mr. Jerry Pate, of Darlington, spent Wednesday in the city.

Mrs. Gus Willis and children, of Cottageville are visiting Mrs. Edgar Shipner on Hampton avenue.

Miss Ora Gandy, of Darlington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. A. Middleton, Jr., on West Calhoun street.

Mr. H. C. DesChamps and family are spending a while at Chick Springs and the mountains of North Carolina.

Miss Jennie Farnett is spending the summer in Asheville, N. C.

Miss Bessie Chandler left Monday for Asheville, where she will join a party for a two-week's stay.

Miss Theo Gregg has gone to Chick Springs to spend some time.

Mr. Willie Ard has returned from Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Spann and son, Alva, and Mrs. Bruce Lynam have returned home after a visit in Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. James Jennings are spending two weeks at Glenn Springs.

Miss Iva Wade left Sunday morning for Sumter, where she will be met by Miss Bertha Chandler for an extended visit to Asheville, Hendersonville, Lake Toxaway and other points of interest in North Carolina.—Pee Dee Daily.

Miss Virginia Mims is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Graham, at Olanta.

Mr. Motte Lawrence, of Atlanta, has returned to that place, after spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lawrence.

Mr. S. Moses Gregg and little daughter, Ruth, are visiting his sister, Mrs. A. E. Gregg.

T. M. C. A. Boys Leave for Camp at Murrell's Inlet.

The camp party is in charge of Secretary Birchard and Mr. J. J. Westcott and will camp for ten days on property of Mr. R. M. Cooper, adjoining cottage of Dr. J. A. Mood.

Harold Bennett, Hughson Green, Alton Brown, Aubrey Bradham, English DesChamps, Marion Hurst, Clifford Shaw, Charles Shaw, Wilton Wallace, Wilson Spann, Wade Allen, Emmett Reardon, Heriot Rembert, James Shaw, William Shaw, Anthony Owens, Whit Shaw, Alvin Burns, Ansley Hurst, Clifton Beck, Leland Edmunds, Wm McIlwaine.

It is expected that several others will join the party before the end of the ten days.

The culinary department will be under the personal supervision of one John Bradford, resident of Shot Pouch and well known along the Black River camping grounds.

Leave via Lanes and Georgetown tonight at 7:00 taking the Comanche on Waccamaw river line at 10:30 for the inlet on Friday.

MAYESVILLE DEFEATS WEDGEFIELD.

By Score of 12 to 5 Long Game Goes to Visitors.

Mayesville, July 22.—The local team defeated Wedgefield on the latter's grounds on Tuesday afternoon by a score of 12 to 5. The game was filled with errors on both sides but was interesting at times. Mayes pitched a good game for the locals, allowing but six hits and striking out 10 men, while Burris allowed a dozen hits but retired 11 of the Mayesville batters by strike-outs. Burgess played a good game for the locals at third and Reaves caught his usual steady game. Mayesville plays the strong Turberville aggregation here tomorrow.

Score by Innings:
Mayesville .140 000 403—12
Wedgefield .004 000 100—5
Batteries: Mayes and Reaves; Burris and Thomas.

His Digestion Cured at Last.
After spending hundreds of dollars for medicine and treatment for indigestion a constipation with only temporary relief, C. H. Hines, of Whitlow, Ark., was permanently cured by Chamberlain's Tablets. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

The Sumter Band will accompany the boosters on their trip throughout the lower portion of this county and Clarendon and other counties on July 30th, when the trip in the interest of the Sumter tobacco market is made.

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Your complexion as well as your temper is rendered miserable by a disordered liver and by constipation. Take Chamberlain's Tablets and you will improve them both. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

PRESIDENT HEARON'S ADDRESS.

TELLS HOW SUMTER'S TRADE TERRITORY CAN BE ENLARGED.

Believes in Co-operation of Farmers and Business Men of Sumter for Their Mutual Advancement—Scope of Work of Retail Dealers' Association.

President Hearon's salutatory or introductory oration as president of the Sumter Retail Dealers' Association is published below in synopsis form. It is well worth perusing, particularly by the business men of Sumter.

Dr. J. Z. Hearon, ordinarily, is a man of few words, but one who does things. It is apparent, however, that whenever it becomes necessary to say something he can "deliver the goods."

At the special "Tobacco Warehouse Booster Meeting" of the association, held Wednesday morning President Hearon got out of his system the following pent up sentiments which have been smoldering in his breast for years, but which he never had a fair opportunity to tell his brother business men of the Greater Gamecock City. He believes the Retail Dealers' Association can and will build up a larger trade territory by the co-operation of the wide-awake farmers of Sumter and the business, professional, and working men and women of Sumter.

In assuming the office of president of the Sumter Retail Dealers' Association Dr. J. Z. Hearon said he desired to emphasize one thing for the information of those associated with him in the association. Said he, "It is this, the Retail Dealers' Association is not and has not been dead. It's scope of usefulness has been as broad for the past twelve months as it was when first organized, but there has been great lack of interest among the members of the association, which hampered its usefulness.

The credit bureau feature of the association has continually furnished valuable information to hundreds of inquirers which saved thousands of dollars to merchants using this bureau. But if the retail dealers had done their duty, to themselves, and to their members by filling out the credit rating lists, and by sending into the managing secretary's office certain information which merchants get from day to day, the index file system of this bureau would contain hundreds of additional names and would be of immense value to retail dealers.

The newly elected president stressed the importance of organized effort and continual interest among Sumter's business men toward safeguarding the credit business which is apparently unavoidable and which credit system can be made a source of convenience to honest consumers and of profit to the merchants, if the merchants will only co-operate with the association and the Chamber of Commerce as requested.

"I believe that thousands of dollars can be saved to Sumter's business men, if they will only take advantage of the system of espionage over advertising schemes and various promotion features which the secretary's office is prepared to furnish. No business man can afford to purchase any and all kinds of advertising space, or to take stock in any transient proposition which the promoters are unwilling to submit to the unprejudiced investigation of officers of legitimate organized business interests.

If an advertising scheme is legitimate and worth what is charged and claimed for it, if any kind of business proposition presented by a stranger is legitimate and worth what is claimed for it, then the promoter should be only too glad to have the written endorsement of commercial organization committees or officers.

Only fake or "wild cat" promoters have any real cause to object to Chamber of Commerce or Retail Dealers' Association investigations.

The Retail Dealers' Association is as much for the consumer as for the dealer. It seeks to safeguard the honest customer as well as the dealer. It seeks to give the customer honest weights, honest measure, the best goods for the least possible cost. It seeks to reduce exorbitant and unequitable freight and express rates which add unjustly to the cost of the consumer's supplies, it puts the ban of disapproval upon dishonest dealers to the best of its ability, and by eliminating as far as possible the risk of dishonest dealers it reduces the interest or time charges on credit sales for honest dealers.

He said the burden of looking after the commercial interests of the retail dealers should not, as is now the case, be placed upon a small minority of the mercantile establishments when all of them derive benefits from the systematic organized work of the minority. There are some of the leading mercantile firms, and many more small business establishments that do not belong to or contribute to the Chamber of Commerce which supports and defrays the expenses of the Retail Dealers' Association.

He, while granting to every man or

firm the right to handle their money or legitimate business affairs to suit themselves without dictation from others, is an advocate of giving full credit to the firms, corporations, and individuals who do belong to and support the Sumter Chamber of Commerce and who do their best to help to make Sumter a more desirable place in which to live, as desirable as it is, who are public spirited enough to give to their time, talents, and money for the social, commercial and industrial uplift of Sumter and Sumter county. These men and women who are working for Sumter in the commercial organizations should have their names and their business, professions, trades, and calling advertised by the Chamber of Commerce so that the purchasing public of Sumter city and county will, in a measure, at least, be in a position to co-operate with the members of the commercial organizations in the effort to build up The Greater Gamecock City and County of Sumter by throwing their trade as much as possible to those who are working for Sumter and Sumter county.

He said that unless the retail dealers want an association bad enough to take an interest in it, and support it financially, and otherwise, it might as well be disbanded and the Chamber of Commerce relieved of the cost and trouble of its existence.

He asked for the cooperation of his fellow members in building up the tobacco industry, the extension of trade territory, and other work for Sumter's business men and women and their customers.

TOBACCO MARKETS OPEN.

Unusual Yield is Offered, Although Crop is Short—Rivalry is Keen as Always.

Columbia, July 23.—Tobacco markets of South Carolina opened yesterday and in every instance the season was ushered in with most satisfactory returns. The prices paid were up to the usual high mark demanded by the South Carolina product and the weed offered is said to meet the exacting requirements of the buyers.

It is reported in many sections that the crop this season will be short, some estimates placing the decrease from normal at 40 per cent.

Records in several markets were smashed yesterday by the crop offered at the opening of the market. No decline for the first day was noted in any market.

Never have the tobacco cities been more active in establishing a market. "Booster parties" have been at work spreading the glad tidings of a ready market and rivalry as always will be keen between the progressive cities where tobacco is bought and sold.

VIOLATED POSTAL LAWS.

Hoke Smith, After Hearing Statements, Says That Innu is Subject to Postal Regulations.

Washington, July 23.—After going over letters and hearing a statement of Marshall Nelms, brother of Mrs. Eloise Dennis, and Beatrice Nelms, who mysteriously disappeared several weeks ago, Senator Hoke Smith stated that it appeared probable that the postal laws had been violated by Victor Innes in writing to Eloise Dennis offering her investments which proved fictitious. Senator Smith will this afternoon introduce Nelms to attorney General McReynolds, and Postmaster General Burleson.

Death.

Mrs. Annie Taylor, wife of Mr. T. D. Taylor, died at her home on North Magnolia street, Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Although Mrs. Taylor had been ill for several years, her death was unexpected and came as a sad shock to her many friends and relatives. The remains were taken to Silver on Monday and interred in the St. Andrews' chapel burying ground, near that place.

Mrs. Taylor was 56 years old and is survived by her husband, two brothers, and six children: Messrs. L. O. Taylor of Columbia; R. B. Taylor, A. B. Taylor and Scott Taylor, Mrs. Lucian English of Jacksonville, Fla., and Miss Ada Taylor. The bereaved ones have the sympathy of all their friends.

May Run Away.

It doesn't follow that the governor is a good runner just because, as Mr. Pollock says, he has feathers on his legs.—Greenwood Journal.

Taking Big Chances.

It is too great a risk to depend upon neighbors or sending for medicine in case of a sudden attack of bowel complaint. In almost every neighborhood someone has died from cholera morbus that could have easily been saved had the proper medicine been at hand. Then think of the suffering that must be endured until medicine can be obtained. The safe way is to keep at hand a bottle of "Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy." It has never been known to fail and has undoubtedly saved the lives of many people. Buy it now. It only costs a quarter. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

FIGHT AT RIDGELAND MEETING.

Candidates Not in it and Act as Peacemakers to Stop Trouble—Usual Speeches Fail to Draw Applause.

Ridgeland, July 22.—In an effort to silence an auditor who appeared recalcitrant in the eyes of the marshay, Harry Bennett, the marshal became the object of fists and a "billy" at the hands of James, Ernest and Charles Cooler. The altercation occurred early in the meeting of candidates for State offices held here today and was the only thing that marred the placid surface and undemonstrative attitude of the audience of about 300 persons, many of them women. Throughout the speeches of all candidates, the audience remained indifferent to the various pleas for its suffrage and several speakers failed to draw applause.

The fight, of course, was the drawing card, while it lasted, but the fight, like the entire meeting, began and ended in silence, with scanty applause and disinterested observations.

In view of the fact that close connections had to be made to get to Walterboro, where the campaign meeting will be held tomorrow, the speeches of candidates for governor were limited to ten minutes and of all other candidates to five minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 o'clock by W. A. Sauls, county chairman. The Rev. J. R. Funderburk offered prayer.

Tobacco Booster Trip.

The committee of arrangements for the Tobacco Booster Trip has decided on Thursday, July 30th as the day for the trip, and the plans for this trade excursion will be perfected within the next few days.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

Mr. W. S. Gunsalus, a Pennsylvania farmer, residing near Fleming, P. O., Pa., says: "For the past fourteen years I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family and have found it to be an excellent remedy. I always have a bottle of it in my house and take pleasure in recommending it to my friends." For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

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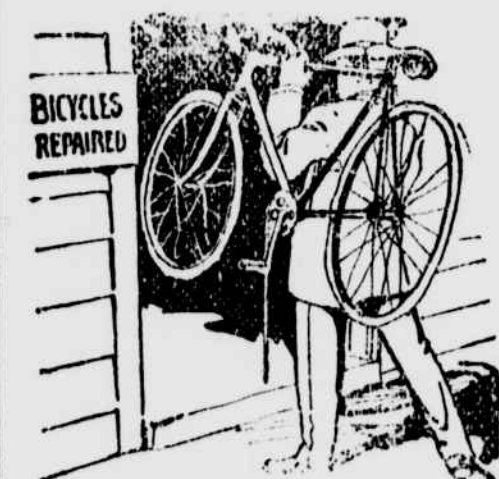
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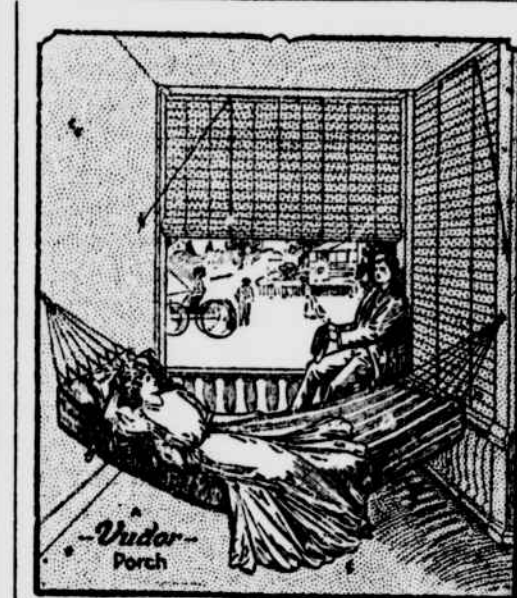
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